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SUBJ: 54 TH ECOSOC-- HUMAN RIGHTS (ITEM 18 A)

1. ATTACHED IS DRAFT RES E/ AC.7/ L.650 CONCERNING THE REPORT OF THE AD HOC WORKING GROUP OF EXPERTS ON TRADE UNION RIGHTS. INSTRUCTIONS REQUESTED.

THE QUESTION OF THE ABSENCE AND INFRINGEMENTS OF THE TRADE UNION RIGHTS

THE ECOSOC,

RECALLING ITS RES 1216 (XLII) OF 1 JUNE 1967, 1302 (XLIV) OF 28 MAY 1968, 1412 (XLVI) OF 6 JUNE 1969, 1509 (XLVIII) OF 28 MAY 1970 AND 1599 (L) OF 21 MAY 1971,

HAVING EXAMINED THE REPORT OF THE AD HOC WORKING GROUP OF EXPERTS OF THE COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS (E/5245) PREPARED IN ACCORDANCE WITH COUNCIL RES 1 599 (L) ,

GRAVELY CONCERNED AT THE ABSENCE AND INFRINGEMENTS OF TRADE UNION RIGHTS IN NAMIBIA, SOUTHERN RHODESIA AND THE AFRICAN TERRITORIES UNDER PORTUGUESE DOMINATION,
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1. EXPRESSES ITS APPRECIATION FOR THE WORK DONE BY THE WORKING GROUP AND NOTES ITS CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS;

A. NAMIBIA

2. STRONGLY CONDEMNS THE DETENTION WITHOUT TRIAL OF STRIKING AFRICAN WORKERS IN OVAMBOLAND, THEIR FORCIBLE RETURN TO THE RESERVES AND CALL FOR THEIR IMMEDIATE AND UNCONDITIONAL RELEASE;

3. NOTES WITH CONCERN THE CONTINUED ABSENCE OF A TRADE UNION SYSTEM IN NAMIBIA;

4. REQUESTS THE INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANIZATION TO STUDY WAYS AND MEANS BY WHICH THE TRADE UNION RIGHTS FOR THE PEOPLE OF NAMIBIA SHOULD BE ENSURED;

B. SOUTHERN RHODESIA

5. CONDEMNS THE EXISTENCE OF THE SO- CALLED TRANSIT CAMPS FOR RECRUITMENT OF FARCED LABOUR, THE PRACTICE OF SEGREGATION AND RESERVATION IN EMPLOYMENT BETWEEN BLACK AND WHITE WORKERS AND THE IMPORTATION OF WHITE IMMIGRANT WORKERS INTO SOUTHERN RHODESIA TO PERFORM JOBS THAT COULD BE DONE BY THE PEOPLE OF ZIMBABWE;

6. ALSO CONDEMNS THE DISCRIMINATORY TREATMENT OF THE AFRICAN WORKERS IN SOUTHERN RHODESIA CAUSING INCREASING UNEMPLOYMENT AMONG AFRICAN WORKERS;

7. NOTES WITH DEEP CONCERN THE GRADUAL WITHDRAWAL OF THE LIMITED TRADE UNION RIGHTS IN SOUTHERN RHODESIA;

8. REQUESTS THE INT'L LABOUR ORGANIZATION TO CONTINUE TO STUDY AND REVIEW THE CONDITIONS OF WORK OF THE BLACK LABOUR IN SOUTHERN RHODESIA;

C. AFRICAN TERRITORIES UNDER
PORTUGUESE DOMINATION

9. NOTES WITH DEEP CONCERN THE EXISTENCE OF A FORM OF FORCED UNCLASSIFIED

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LABOUR AND THE DISCRIMINATORY HEIRARCHY OF LABOUR CODES IN ANGOLA AND MOZAMBIQUE;

10. CONDEMNS THE EXISTENCE OF TRANSIT CENTRES AND OTHER

SIMILAR CAMPS FOR THE AFRICAN WORKERS AS WELL AS THE CONDITIONS PREVAILING IN THESE CAMPS;

11. RECOMMENDS THAT, AS THE OBJECTIVES OF THE VARIOUS INT' L LABOUR ORGANIZATION CONVENTIONS HAVE NOT BEEN FULLY ATTAINED, THE INT' L LABOUR ORGANIZATION SHOULD CONSIDER ALL POSSIBLE MEANS FOR STRENGTHENING THE IMPLEMENTATION BY PORTUGAL OF THE CONVENTIONS TO WHICH IT IS A PARTY;

12. REQUESTS THE ADHOC WORKING GROUP OF EXPERTS TO CONTINUE TO MONITOR THE SYSTEM OF RECRUITMENT OF AFRICAN WORKERS, AS WELL AS THE DISPARITIES IN WAGES BETWEEN BLACK AND WHITE WORKERS IN SOUTH AFRICA, NAMIBIA, SOUTHERN RHODESIA AND THE AFRICAN TERRITORIES UNDER PORTUGUESE DOMINATION AND REPORT TO THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL NOT LATER THAN ITS FIFTY- EIGHTH SESSION;

13. REQUESTS THE SEC- GEN TO BRING THE PRESENT RES AND THE REPORT OF AD HOC WORKING GROUP OF EXPERTS TO THE ATTENTION OF THE GOVERNMENTS OF MEMBER STATES, THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON APARTHEID, THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF TWENTY- FOUR, THE COUNCIL FOR NAMIBIA AND THE COMMITTEE ON THE ELIMINATION OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION;

14. FURTHER REQUESTS THE SEC- GEN TO TRANSMIT THE PRESENT RES AND THE REPORT OF THE AD HOC WORKING GROUP OF EXPERTS TO THE GA. BENNETT

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